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#### SACRAMENTO UPDATE

### **Executive Summary**

This memorandum contains a report on actions by the Governor on County-Advocacy Legislation and Legislation of County-Interest. The Governor has until October 13, 2013 to act on all legislation passed by the Legislature in the final days of the Legislative Session.

## County-Sponsored Legislation

- County-co-sponsored SB 191 (Padilla) related to funding for pediatric trauma centers, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.
- County-sponsored SB 360 (Padilla) related to the certification, piloting and funding of new voting systems, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.

#### County-Advocacy Legislation

 County-supported AB 272 (Gomez) - related to rabies vaccinations for dogs, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.

- County-supported AB 748 (Eggman) related to interest rates on judgments, was signed by the Governor on September 30, 2013.
- County-support-if-amended AB 1126 (Gordon) related to solid waste conversion, was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2013.
- County-opposed SB 695 (Wright) related to the California Science Center, was vetoed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.

#### Legislation of County Interest

- AB 446 (Mitchell) related to the offering of HIV tests on blood draws performed at primary care clinics, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.
- AB 787 (Stone) related to clean-up legislation for extended benefits to eligible foster youth up to 21 years of age, was signed by the Governor on October 2, 2013.
- AB 1359 (Hernández) related to the use of Quimby Act fees, was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2013.
- SB 13 (DeSaulnier) related to technical corrections to the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013, was signed by the Governor on October 4, 2013.
- SB 28 (Hernandez and Steinberg) related to updated methodology to determine county administrative costs for the Medi-Cal expansion under the Affordable Healthcare Act, was signed by the Governor on October 1, 2013.
- SB 364 (Steinberg) related the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act, was signed by the Governor on October 4, 2013.

# **County-Sponsored Legislation**

County-co-sponsored SB 191 (Padilla), which would extend the sunset date for the Ritchie's Fund, which authorizes counties to augment the Emergency Medical Services Fund by collecting an additional penalty assessment for specified crimes to fund

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pediatric trauma centers, from January 1, 2014 to January 1, 2017, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013, and it is Chapter 600, Statutes of 2013. This measure becomes effective on January 1, 2014.

County-sponsored SB 360 (Padilla), which would: 1) require a specified state certification and testing process for voting systems; 2) allow local jurisdictions to pilot publicly-owned voting systems; and 3) allow Voting Modernization Funds to be used for the research and development of voting systems, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013. This measure is Chapter 602, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

# **County-Advocacy Legislation**

County-supported AB 272 (Gomez), which would require that a dog owner, after his or her dog is three months of age or older, procure the dog's vaccination against rabies by a licensed veterinarian with anti-rabies vaccine approved by the California Department of Public Health and in a manner consistent with the vaccine label, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013. This measure is Chapter 582, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

County-supported AB 748 (Eggman), which would set the interest rate on tax and fee judgments against State and local governments to the previous year's Pooled Money Investment Account rate, and would set an upper limit of 7 percent, was signed by the Governor on September 30, 2013. This measure is Chapter 424, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

County-support-if-amended AB 1126 (Gordon), which would: 1) define the term engineered municipal solid waste (EMSW) conversion as conversion of solid waste through a process that meets specified requirements; 2) define engineered municipal solid waste conversion facility to mean a facility where EMSW conversion, as defined, takes place; 3) allow a siting element providing for an EMSW conversion facility to only be approved by the city in which it is located or, if it is not located in a city, by the county; 4) prohibit the establishment or expansion of a solid waste facility in the county unless the solid waste facility is a disposal facility, transformation, or EMSW facility; and 5) exclude certain used tires or waste tires or biomass materials that are converted at an EMSW conversion facility from the per capita disposal determination, among other provisions, was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2013. This measure is Chapter 411, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

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County-opposed SB 695 (Wright), which would: 1) provide that the California Science Center (CSC) shall not delegate to any other party the power to manage and operate its parking facilities and would specify that those provisions are declaratory of existing law; 2) require the CSC to establish the minimum and maximum parking rates charged at parking facilities in Exposition Park; and 3) prohibit the CSC from entering into, and the California Director of General Services from approving, a sale of, or lease for a term of more than 10 years for the use of its parking facilities, the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, or the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena, unless the Legislature authorizes the proposed sale or lease by statute, except if the lease contains terms that require the lessee to perform substantial capital improvements, was vetoed by the Governor on October 5, 2013.

# **Legislation of County Interest**

AB 446 (Mitchell), which would require every patient who has blood drawn at a primary care clinic and who voluntarily consents to be offered an HIV test, and require the medical care provider or the person who administers the test also provide a patient with specified information after the test results are received, among other provisions, was signed by the Governor on October 5, 2013. This measure is Chapter 589, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

AB 787 (Stone), which is the vehicle for clean-up legislation to County-support-inconcept AB 12 (Chapter 559, Statutes of 2010), and related legislation, which extended Foster Care and Kinship Guardian Assistance Payment (Kin-GAP) Program benefits to eligible youth up to 21 years of age, as provided under the Federal Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008. AB 787 would: 1) clarify that former non-minor dependents (NMD) who reached permanency, but whose guardian, relative or adoptive parent passed away prior to their 21st birthday, may re-enter extended foster care; 2) clarify how the court may terminate jurisdiction over a NMD, but still retain the ability to monitor them as a non-minor dependent; and 3) authorize probation officers to place NMDs in approved transitional placements, among other provisions. This measure was signed by the Governor on October 2, 2013. AB 787 is Chapter 487, Statues of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

AB 1359 (Hernández), which would: 1) authorize fees paid pursuant to the Quimby Act to also be used for the purpose of developing or rehabilitating park or recreational facilities in a neighborhood other than the neighborhood in which the subdivision for which fees were paid as a condition to the approval of a tentative map or parcel map is located, if certain requirements are met; 2) require the legislative body to hold a public

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hearing before using fees as prescribed in the bill; and 3) authorize the use of joint or shared use agreements to facilitate access to park or recreational facilities for residents in specified areas, was signed by the Governor on September 28, 2013. This measure is Chapter 412, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

SB 13 (DeSaulnier), which would make technical corrections to the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), including correcting an unintended consequence which disallowed existing non-contributory Plan E members from transferring to contributory Plan D under the open window plan transfer method, was signed by the Governor on October 4, 2013 and is Chapter 528, Statutes of 2013. As an urgency measure, this legislation became effective immediately.

SB 28 (Hernandez and Steinberg), which would update the methodology to determine county administrative costs related to eligibility determinations and case maintenance activities related to the Medi-Cal expansion under the Affordable Healthcare Act, among other provisions relating to the California health benefit exchange, was signed by the Governor on October 1, 2013. This measure is Chapter 442, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

SB 364 (Steinberg), which would make various changes to the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act regarding the involuntary commitment and treatment of individuals with specified mental health disorders, was signed by the Governor on October 4, 2013. This measure is Chapter 567, Statutes of 2013 and becomes effective January 1, 2014.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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